Contents

List of Figures and Tables VII
Abbreviations XII
Notes on Contributors XVI

Introduction 1
Valentina Mordvintseva, Anna Ivanova and Svyatoslav Smirnov

1 Archaeological Research of F. Marschall von Bieberstein in the East Crimea and on the Taman Peninsula in 1793–1795 8
Irina V. Tunkina

2 Zur Forschungsgeschichte der Proxenie im Schwarzmeerraum 33
Victor Cojocaru

3 Europe as an Island: to the Question of the Ancient Division of the Oikumene into Continents 68
Alexander V. Podossinov

4 Jason and Odysseus in the Far West and the Earliest (Tangible) Argonautic Tradition in the 8th and 7th Centuries 81
Altay Coşkun

5 Fifth Century BC Coinage of Cilician Soloi: from Amazon to Amphilochus the Seer 108
David Braund

6 Rhodes and the Black Sea in Hellenistic Times 121
Alain Bresson

7 τὰ Μεγάλα Διδύμεια in the Roman Times 136
Dmitry B. Merkin

8 Phanagorian Synagogue (Preliminary Report) 147
Vladimir D. Kuznetsov

9 Belt Set from the Sarmatian Burial of Pervomaïskiï-VII Kurgan Necropolis in the Volga-Don Interfluve
A Product of Eastern or North Pontic Manufacture? 160
Mikhail Treister

10 A Hun-Period Ritual Deposit from the North Caucasus (Preliminary Report) 185
Andrej B. Belinskij, Yakov B. Berezin and Heinrich Härke

11 Seleucid Coins from the North Pontic Region: a Reappraisal 198
Svyatoslav V. Smirnov and Evgeniĭ V. Zakharov

12 About the Last Gold Coin Issues of Mithradates VI: a Recent Hoard and Archaeological Finds Made at Chersonesus and Panticapaeum 213
Mikhail G. Abramzon and François de Callataÿ

13 Linguistic Commentaries on a Number of Iranian Anthroponyms from Olbia 232
Yuriy A. Dzitstsoity and Alexander I. Falileyev

14 On a Recently Published River Ordeal Instruction from Mari on the Euphrates (Late 19th Century BC) 242
Ilya S. Arkhipov

15 Divine Splendour in Urartian Religion: the Anzaf Votive Shield as a Pictorial Translation of Religious Syncretism 257
Walter Kuntner and Sandra Heinsch

16 On a Possible Progenitor of *Ketos* at Kelermes: Observations on the Origin and Iconographic Transmissions of a Greek Mythical Creature 271
Michele Minardi

17 Imported Seals from Grakliani Gora 287
Vakhtang Licheli

18 Bucephalus-Zadeh of Uruzgan 298
Pavel B. Lurje

Index of Ancient and Modern Geographical Sites, Linguistic and Ethnic Terms 311
Index of Ancient Names and Personalities 318
Index of Deities, Mythic Characters and Festivals 320